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PAPA RAP AND THE LATIN BEATS

Al "Papa Rap" Lopez, originally from Puerto Rico, is an award winning song writer (John Lennon Song Writing Contest) and a charismatic Latino performer, musician, writer, and inspirational motivational speaker.

His live stage show engages your audience with bilingual songs, fun drum playing, and Caribbean Salsa and Merengue dancing. Papa Rap's show is completely interactive with the audience, as it sings and dances to his tunes—some even get to come up on stage to play some fun drums as they become part of his Latin Beat Band.

Bring Papa Rap by himself—or with his MC Band—to your school or community event to entertain, educate (edutainment), and motivate students, faculty, and Latino and non-Latino parents through music, humor, and his message of love and peace that brings people together as one community. Papa Rap can perform in English, Spanish, or bilingually. His message goes from stories of student successes by making the right choices in life to examples of parent involvement in our schools and communities.

Papa Rap also loves to present to faculty members, PTA/PTO clubs, and partners in education, community service clubs, and corporations so he can share with them in a fun musical way strategies on how to embrace and create partnerships with newcomers by understanding and celebrating cultural differences and similarities.

So put on your dancing shoes and let Papa Rap touch your heart, soul, and mind with a powerful message that will Rock and Salsa your life.

Some themes of his live shows are

"What's Up ! Que Pasa?" Let's be friends, seamos amigos"—Friendship Show – includes relationship building strategies, anti-bullying action plans, and service-learning projects.

"I'm the leader, Yo soy el lider" Show—motivates students to find help in communicating with parents and teachers to become better leaders by making the right choices on being drug and alcohol free and staying out of gangs. Includes resources, action plan, and service-learning project.

"Feed Your Brain-Alimenta Tu Cerebro" Show – campaigns for literacy by feeding your brain with books, coming to school every day, being the best in taking the test, writing because you have the right to write, college preparation, understanding and capturing one's talents and resources, and putting them to use.

Other shows/workshops that you can mix and match according to your needs:

"Fun drum communication. Diversión comunicando con el tambor." - teaching and playing drum patterns and making your own instruments out of recycling materials. Enseñando y tocando patrones musicales en el tambor y creando nuestros propios instrumentos con materiales de reciclaje.

"PTLA- Parents Taking Leadership Action, Padres Tomando Liderazgo en Acción."- helping parents to better connect with their schools and communities. Ayudando los padres a conectarse mejor con sus escuelas y su comunidad.

"Dancercise, Bailercicio"-Learning Caribbean dances and exercising in a fun way. Aprendiendo bailes Caribeños, haciendo ejercicios divertidos.

"You got the right to write. Tienes el derecho de escribir con sentimiento." Creating positive rhymes and turning them into fun songs. Creando rimas positivas y convirtiéndolas en canciones divertidas.

Find more about Papa Rap at PapaRap Together (<http://www.paparap.net>)

Papa Rap Facebook page: Papa Rap (<https://www.facebook.com/alpaparaplopez/?fref=ts>)

Also visit this YouTube link: <http://www.youtube.com/user/alpaparap> (<http://www.youtube.com/user/alpaparap>)

Region: Northwest

Discipline: Music: Cultural Traditions/World Music

Fees: 45 minutes to one hour performance \$800 - \$1,500 - Additional \$450 performance, same day same or nearby location. Up to 3 shows a day. Fun Drum workshop- 45 minutes to one hour \$550 (15-30 participants) \$300,00 for additional workshop same location or nearby. up to 4 work shop a day. Travel/lodging negotiable

Availability: Year-round

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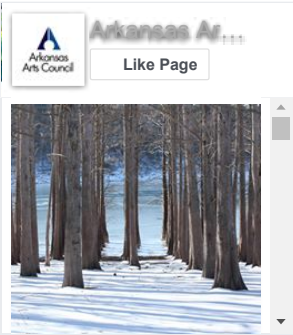
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